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Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency Treatment Act Report to the Illinois General Assembly

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General Assembly Report 410 ILCS 70/2 Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency Treatment Act

Section 2 of the Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency Treatment Act (410 ILCS 70) requires the Illinois Department of Public Health to submit a report to the General Assembly in January of each year. The report is to document the status of Illinois hospitals with respect to their individual hospital plans for emergency services and forensic services to sexual assault survivors.

The Illinois Compiled Statute 410 ILCS 70/ was amended effective January 1, 2008. The Department reviewed the statutory changes and developed proposed revisions to the Illinois Administrative Code 545 Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency Treatment Code to meet the statutory changes in March of 2008. The proposed rules are in the Governor's Office for review for submission to the Illinois Register for first public comment notice.

All of the required licensed hospitals per 410 ILCS 70 have submitted an acceptable policy per the current Illinois Administrative Code 545 Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency Treatment Code at the Departments request. The Department did not request any updated policies in 2008 due to the revision in the regulations had not been finalized.

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